

TOOK A TRAIN.

Commonwealthers Seize an Engine and Cars in Oregon.

The Road Blocked and the Flying Army Captured by Troops.

They Made a Run of Eight Hours Before Surrendering.

THE STOLEN LOCOMOTIVE WAS PULLED MANAGER DICKINSON'S SPECIAL.

His Coach Sidetracked and the Engine Halted on a Freight, Which Speeded Eastward Over the Union Pacific—No Shots Fired and No Bloodshed—How Gen. Galvin's Army Was Taken In—Coxey Near the Capital—Anxiety at Washington.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 28.—At 9:45 this morning the Coxey contingent, which has been in camp three days at Troutdale, a few miles east of this city, captured an engine of General Manager Dickinson's special train west-bound, on which were a number of Union Pacific officials. The industrialists were expecting the special and were ready to act. Immediately on the special arriving at the station, the Commonwealthers by concerted movement took possession of the engine and in a few moments had run the coach on a switch, detached the locomotive, deposited the company's engineer and fireman, installed their own engineer, and within twenty minutes had coupled to a freight train, which they quickly pulled into the empty freight cars which they seized, and with cheers, waving of hats, flags and banners, the Oregon army was on the way east as fast as a stolen engine could pull a stolen train.

A United States Marshal, Grady, was at Troutdale at the time and telegraphed Deputy Coleman to come on with a special engine. He boarded the special and went after the fleeing Coxeyites.

At Bridal Veil, the first station on the Coxeyites stopped long enough for one of their number to telegraph Union Pacific headquarters of their action, and to offer to do the company's local business. They did pick up a load of freight at one station and carried it to the next. The train was manned by an old Union Pacific crew. The company expressed no apprehension of accident, especially as the officials had taken precautions to see the wild train should have the right of way.

General Superintendent Baxter, who was aboard Dickinson's train, has arrived here. He said: "At the Dallas we had information that they were waiting our special to capture the engine. We sent the ladies of the party ahead on the regular passenger train. When we reached Troutdale there were 200 Coxeyites waiting. They made a rush for us and captured our car and sidetracked and took our engine. Marshal Grady and several deputies were present, but it was useless to protest, as the numbers were too great for us. We at once wired to the United States Attorney-General at Washington, who informed us that troops would be sent in pursuit of the men."

Despite Gov. Penney's assertion that no United States troops would enter Oregon, two of Fort Walla Walla Cavalry troops left there at 2 o'clock for Umatilla to intercept the fleeing Coxeyites at that junction. The troops at Boise were also ordered to be in readiness so as to intercept them at Nampa, Idaho, should the Walla Walla troops fail in their purpose.

Union Pacific officials here were at once notified and Attorney-General Cotton went before United States District Judge Bellinger and procured a warrant for the arrest of Gen. Coxey and the members of the Coxey army for the violation of the restraining order issued a few days ago. Orders were at once issued for troops. When Brig. Gen. Otis received the message calling for troops he at once wired an order to Fort Walla Walla Cavalry troops to intercept the train at Umatilla Junction.

A special train left Walla Walla at 8 p. m. with 122 men of the 4th Cavalry, under command of Col. Charles E. Compton. Officers with the command are Capt. W. H. Wiley, Capt. J. H. Richards, Lieut. James Lockett, Adj. George E. Cross and Lieut. Vornish. The command has ten days' rations, ample camp equipment, unlimited ammunition. The troops reached Umatilla at 4:30, and as the industrialists had been informed of the approach of the train, they were waiting at the station. At Umatilla, H. C. Means, Deputy United States Marshal, boarded the train. The troops are instructed to capture the Commonwealthers without bloodshed if possible and await the coming of Marshal Grady for further orders. Their orders are not to fire and if necessary to fire, to shoot to kill. The command was accompanied from Walla Walla by the N. J. O'Brien, division superintendent of the Union Pacific; A. K. Mitchell, local agent; W. D. Tyler, president of the Washington and Columbia River Road, and P. B. Johnson of Walla Walla.

This evening a telegram from Dallas, Ore., seventy miles from Troutdale, the town at which the train was seized, states that the industrialists arrived there without accident at 8:15. The engine which was run that far, tender first, was turned and they hurriedly took water and coal and started east without stopping for provisions. United States Marshal Grady was then ten miles behind them on his special train. In the run from Troutdale to Dallas the stolen train made about fifteen miles an hour. At the same rate of speed it will reach Walla Walla at 10 o'clock to-night.

The stolen train was captured at Arlington, a small town about 130 miles from Portland at 6:30 to-night. The railroad company had already placed a heavy freight train on the side track and the special train with the troops remained on the main line, thus effectually blocking the road. The industrialists, when they arrived, appreciated their position at a glance and surrendered without offering any resistance.

APPROACHING FOR TROOPS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28.—Government officials to-day received a number of telegrams from United States court officials and others in the Northwest of a very disagreeable, if not alarming nature. Lawless bands

of Coxeyites are concentrating at different points along the Union Pacific road in Oregon, and trouble seems to be imminent. One lawless mob captured a train near Portland, and as Gov. Penney, on appeal by the officials of the road, has declined to interfere, application has been made for Government troops to assist in maintaining the peace and in the execution of federal processes. In North Dakota a similar condition exists. A report from Devil's Lake states that the strikers refuse to allow trains carrying the United States mails to move. Altogether the situation in the Northwest is becoming serious and to meet it the Government will use every means within its power. It is stated that a mob of any kind or character will be permitted to interfere with the movement of the mail trains if the military forces of the Government are able to prevent it.

and, further, that United States troops will assist in stopping the processes issuing from the United States Courts in the disturbed districts against the unlawful and irresponsible acts of so-called Coxey contingents.

The Government is in no haste in this matter, and if these lawless acts continue those engaged in them will be made to feel the power of the Government in a way they may not expect or relish. It seems to be the general opinion here that the lawless, tramp element throughout the West is taking advantage of Coxey's "Commonwealth of Christ" demonstration to commit depredations on public and private property, and that in consequence they are fast losing their lost, the sympathy of the respectable element of society everywhere. These acts, it is believed, will rapidly disrupt the whole movement and bring disgrace and shame upon any honest people who through mistaken zeal in the cause of labor may have joined the so-called crusade.

WITHOUT A SHOT.

Gen. Galvin's Train Stopped by Force.

COLUMBUS, O., April 28.—Not a shot was fired by the detachment of the Ohio militia when it dislodged Gen. Galvin's army for having seized an O. & N. train. Galvin's men on the march to Columbus took possession of a freight train and compelled the train men to put them on a siding, thirty miles south of this city. Then the train was sidetracked.

This morning Gov. McKinley was appealed to by the Coxeyites for troops, as that officer was powerless to dislodge the Commonwealthers, and the O. & N. road was unable to move its trains through the Coxey army. The governor, who is at Columbus with a battery of Gatling guns, sent out a special train at 11:45 a. m. and pulled out for Columbus. The train was stopped by the Coxeyites at a point about thirty miles south of this city. Six cars contained the Coxey army, and the Coxeyites refused to let the train pass. They refused to hear the commission read. They met demands in the name of the State and the Coxeyites refused to let the train pass.

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ANXIETY AT WASHINGTON.

National and District Officials Worried.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28.—Every one here who does not keep his eyes and ears shut is compelled to see that the government has never been so exercised since the days when Gen. Early camped the Confederate army just outside the city walls and prepared to capture the city, as it is now of the coming of the Commonwealthers. According to the most reliable information, President Cleveland was the first man to weaken and express the opinion that Coxeyism is a dangerous movement and that the people at Washington and the country at large are being misled by the Coxeyites. Several Cabinet meetings the approaching army has been the subject of serious discussion, and it was Mr. Cleveland who conceived the idea of issuing a proclamation warning them to keep the peace and to return to their homes.

When he said the troops were being mobilized and the police increased for the purpose of preventing a delegation of peaceable citizens from assembling in the grounds of the Capitol and making public their grievances, but on the other hand Senator Hawley

equally overstated his side of the case when he added to his rebuke of Allen's anarchistic speech the denial that the rumored precautions are being taken. It is absolutely true that the President, Secretary of War, Commissioner of the District, the Superintendent of Police, the executive officers of the Senate and House and the committees of Congress having in charge the public buildings and grounds have been in frequent consultation for several weeks and have arranged a systematic and complete programme of defense that contemplates the most rigorous treatment of any threatened outbreak by the coming army. The proclamation, signed by the district commissioners, was the first public announcement of the second was the admission of the orders issued at the Capitol with regard to depriving visitors of the privileges usually accorded them in the rotunda, the galleries and other gathering places. Many other orders and regulations have been made of which the public is ignorant, and on which it may never be enlightened if the trouble that is feared shall pass away.

NEARING THE CAPITAL.

Coxey's Band of Commonwealthers Almost at the Gates of Washington.

GAITHERSBURG, Md., April 28.—The army of Commonwealthers slept last night with the shelter and awake damp with dew. The march from Frederick and the army of Commonwealthers is now within a few miles of the city. The army of Commonwealthers is now within a few miles of the city. The army of Commonwealthers is now within a few miles of the city.

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make themselves presentable. Clerk Potts read to them a charge of vagrancy, worded in the usual way, and they concluded, "found begging on F street northwest," they said they were not guilty, but Judge Kimball thought it better to sentence them to fifteen days in jail.

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line of loaded wagons and trudging men. He had not aroused much sympathy among the towns people, but he had secured much subsistence, and in the double-barreled negatives of his little orderly, Walter, he "did not have anything to kick about." Kelly was confident of reaching Des Moines to-morrow morning.

When he was to greet our friends when they awake," he said, "we are not very rapid, but the morning sun will see us at Des Moines. Our friends, the laboring people, will be at liberty then, and we must be there."

Dinner was served at Earham, eleven miles from Stuart. Teams from points along the route met the army, picked up the stragglers and relieved the tired footmen. From Vanmeter after supper Kelly said he would go the remaining twelve miles with but one or two short let-ups for rest. Kelly impressed the men with the necessity of getting into the city and they made good time, riding and walking in relays.

After the army passed Earham Kelly became incensed because he had not sufficient teams to carry his men and announced that he would go no further until wagons were furnished.

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arrested last night as they boarded a freight train for Des Moines. They were arraigned in the Police Court this morning and all pleaded guilty.

All were honest-looking men and the Judge told them they could go if they would agree to leave town, but only three of them accepted the offer, the others preferring to serve a jail sentence to taking their chances with Kelly and his band.

GOVERNOR WITH TRAMPS. WELLINGTON, Kan., April 28.—Southern Kansas is at present overrun with tramps going north and east from the strip to join Coxey. Among them are many tough characters. Last night the stores of Ben French in this city were looted of \$200 worth of fire arms and three poker layouts.

A clothing store at Caldwell, on the border, was also robbed. This is the seventh robbery in the county in five days, and Wellington will increase its police force.

HAND THE KEY. CLEVELAND, O., April 28.—About 4,000 unemployed men held a meeting in Monument Square to-day and listened to speeches delivered in many different languages advising violent measures; the speakers were being made in foreign languages advising violent measures; the speakers were being made in foreign languages advising violent measures.

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Hotel on Fire

THE HISTORIC ST. CHARLES OF NEW ORLEANS IN FLAMES.

One of the Guests Leaps From a Third-Story Window.

Dashed to Death on the Sidewalk Below.

OTHER OCCUPANTS MAY HAVE PERISHED IN THEIR ROOMS.

The Flames Spread to the Western Union Office Across the Street and the Wires Ceased Working—The Whole Square, It is Thought, Will Be Consumed—Details of the Calamity Impossible to Obtain Owing to Lack of Telegraphic Facilities—History of the Hotel.

NEW ORLEANS, La., April 28.—At 10:30 o'clock this evening fire broke out in the kitchen of the St. Charles Hotel and was soon communicated to other parts of the building. The fire was not retired at the time, and it is thought most of the guests who had retired from their rooms in their night clothes, carrying with them what effects they could lay their hands on, were leaped from the third story through the flames, and when picked up he was dead, and all his clothes were burned off.

Just before the man sprang from the building several persons were seen at a fourth story window surrounded by flames and gesticulating to the people below. As the man's clothing caught fire he sprang out, and the others who were near him disappeared, but whether the escaped or not cannot be told now. The Canal street side of the hotel was burned first, allowing most of the guests to escape from the front entrance and most of the baggage to be rescued as well as goods in the St. Charles street store.

It is thought that there were 200 guests in the hotel at the time of the fire. The Western Union Telegraph's main office is situated just opposite the hotel, and the flames soon leaped across the street and burning out in that building; it was quickly ascertained, however, that it was possible to work the wires and send out patches. The only news sent out of the city now is handled by a few outside or branch offices of the Western Union Company, and the facilities for sending are very limited.

It was at 12:30 a. m. as though nearly the entire square were a sea of flames. The loss is likely to exceed \$1,000,000. The St. Charles Hotel was situated on the street of the same name in the heart of the business center of New Orleans. It was within two blocks of Canal street, the main thoroughfare of the city which leads to the Mississippi River and the steamboat landings. Two winding stairways ascended to a handsome portico which formed the main entrance to the hotel on the first floor. The lobby was handsome and capacious, the floor being of black and white marble tiling. The office and clerk's desk were to the rear and commanded a full view of the main entrance.

To the right was the reading room, fronted on St. Charles street, and also the entrance to the dining-room, which was immediately opposite. The main staircase leading to the upper floors of the hotel was to the left of the office and to the right of the main entrance.

The hotel was built of stone and brick and had accommodations for several hundred guests. From ante-bellum days it has been regarded as the most fashionable hotel in the Crescent City and the flower of Southern civilization always looked upon it as their special rendezvous. It was also the scene of some of the most fashionable balls and parties ever given in the South. No one visited New Orleans without at least going to take a look at the hotel, and it was considered as the most imposing and revered landmarks of the city.

Its architecture was more on the order of a massive public building than that of a hotel, the main portico being supported by immense Corinthian columns, and the center of the building surmounted by a dome. The interior structure was so arranged that many of the rooms on the upper floors opened on the gallery which formed the main entrance to the hotel on the first floor. The hotel was a handsome and capacious, the floor being of black and white marble tiling. The office and clerk's desk were to the rear and commanded a full view of the main entrance.

At the time of the fire the hotel was crowded with guests. The fire broke out in the kitchen and was soon communicated to other parts of the building. The fire was not retired at the time, and it is thought most of the guests who had retired from their rooms in their night clothes, carrying with them what effects they could lay their hands on, were leaped from the third story through the flames, and when picked up he was dead, and all his clothes were burned off.

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A NEW PHASE

Recently Developed in the Carnegie Armor-Plate Scandal.

A Small Quantity of Aluminum Has Been Used in Casting.

EMPLOYED REGULARLY TO PREVENT BLOWING HOLES DURING RUNS.

The Object Not to Improve the Quality of the Plates, But As an Economy to the Steel Company—It Is Said Government Inspectors Know of Its Use, But Winked at It—Patent Infringement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28.—Careful investigation made by the Post-Dispatch correspondent as to the statement of George C. Burrows of Pittsburgh concerning the use of aluminum in the manufacture of armor plates leaves little doubt that for several months and, perhaps, for three years, a small quantity of this high-priced metal has been used in connection with steel and nickel in a large percentage of the plates made at the Carnegie mills. It was at first thought that the use of this metal was confined to a few plates which it was expected could be substituted for those selected by the inspectors for test purposes, but developments here all tend to show that such is not the case, and that the aluminum has been used in the regular process not to add to the resistance of the steel but simply to prevent blowholes during the "runs."

It is supposed that reliance was placed upon re-treating the plates selected by the inspectors in order to bring them up to the standard required for the ballistic test. Metal experts here are satisfied that the use of any quantity of aluminum in the steel forging, while it might cause the plates to become more homogeneous, would materially reduce its tensile strength, elasticity and toughness. Its use in small quantities, however, would prove a great economy in the manufacture of armor, as it would prevent the rejection of large numbers of plates on account of blowholes, while the expense of the quantity of metal necessary to produce the desired results would be but trifling.

In this connection an important fact has been developed which sheds further light upon the methods employed by the Carnegie company in carrying on its vast business. It is said that the reason for the great secrecy which was observed in the use of the aluminum and which aroused the suspicions of Mr. Burrows, whose statement was published yesterday, is that the use of aluminum in the manner followed by the Carnegie company was patented by an inventor, who claimed a monopoly in consequence, and that secrecy was necessary to avoid paying the royalty to which he had a legal title.

If this statement is true, it would appear that that the Carnegies robbed an inventor in order to avail themselves of a method by which they could produce plates which, though possibly inferior, would stand a better chance of passing the somewhat superficial tests of the government inspectors.

It has been reported here that the use of aluminum in small quantities was winked at by the government inspectors, who were also aware of the reason for the secrecy maintained. In view of the disclosures regarding the re-treatment of certain test plates it is not possible to obtain any reliable data on the question as to whether the use of the quantity of aluminum employed by the Carnegie company has resulted in reducing the quality of the plates so made below the minimum of acceptability. The fact that it has been used without warrant and secretly for the reasons stated is not likely to be successfully controverted.

The contract under which the Carnegie company has manufactured armor plates grants no authority for the use of the aluminum, which is therefore excluded, and the official inspectors at Homestead would have no authority for permitting its use, except by direction of the secretary of the navy. This new phase of armor plate scandal will undoubtedly be thoroughly probed by the experts to whom the matter was referred by the navy department.

It is not likely that the end of the trouble brought upon the Carnegie company by the disclosures regarding the process, whose rights, it is alleged, they have been violating, will bring the navy department to the investigation made by the government to secure proof upon which to base an action for damages.

George C. Burrows, who has assisted in exposing the armor plate scandal, was secretary of the Carnegie company, and was also secretary of the People's party organization in Allegheny County, was a book-keeper at the works of the Pittsburgh Reduction Co., at New Kensington, from 1887 to 1891, and was in charge of the firm's correspondence, and he heard and read enough in those five months to make him positive that the Carnegie system of doctoring armor plates selected for ballistic tests and bookkeeping the government inspectors was then in full operation.

Mr. Burrows said: "Alfred E. Hunt was president and George H. Clapp vice-president of the company. They also controlled the Carnegie Testing Laboratory, which was the same building where the Reduction company's office here. Both concerns are affiliated with the Carnegie syndicate."

"In the fall of 1891 we began to receive orders from Homestead for armor plates to be used in certain armor-plate experiments. The price of aluminum then was 50 cents a pound, and the plates were sent to the biggest customers, like the Carnegie Steel Co., and the plates were received for the metal from any one was \$1.00 a ton. I know of two orders for 1,000 pounds each which were shipped to Marshall station, carefully packed in boxes."

"Soon after the first shipments, which were small, test pieces from big plates began to be sent back to us for test at the Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory. The letters began to pour in to hurry shipments of aluminum and to hasten the tests."

"These letters came from superintendents of the mills at Homestead and from the Carnegie offices here, and said that enough had already been learned through the experiments to believe that an increased surface resistance could be secured by using a plate by an elaborate use of the new metal, and that certain plates were to be made with aluminum mixed with steel."

"These particular plates, through some methods to be explained here, were the ones that were chosen by government inspectors to go to the proving grounds at Indian Head to be shot at."

"The Carnegie Co. had a large group of plates on hand all ready for shipment, and they were waiting on us to furnish the plates for the test plates. It was hurry, hurry, in every letter. Our foreman, Mr. Hill, and our superintendent, A. V. Davis, made frequent trips between Homestead and New Kensington."

"Every one connected with our concern was warned under pain of dismissal not to reveal the name of our big customers or any details of the correspondence and the consultations which were constant. But I kept my ears open, and it was no secret in the office just what the armor-plate manufacturer was trying to do. They were confident that, could they mix a certain percentage of aluminum in the composition, they would stand the ballistic tests and procure the acceptance of the groups."

"To do this they would have to deceive the inspectors as to the actual composition of the metal. The contract specifications do not allow aluminum of any experimental metal to be used with steel. They expected

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A Word to the Wise is Sufficient
Take Hood's and Only Hood's

A MARSHAL SLAIN.

Desperate Battle With Burglars at Missouri Valley.

THE SEARCHING PARTY MET BY A SHOWER OF BULLETS.

A Merchant Dangerously Shot—The Fatal Wound of a Burglar—Church and Shotgun—Brown Will Hang—A Poisoned Baby—Strong Alibi—Famed Officers—Ways of the Wicked.

MISSOURI VALLEY, Mo., April 28.—As a result of a battle between city authorities and burglars this morning, City Marshal Whitney was instantly killed, J. B. Lyon, a merchant, dangerously shot and Peter Johnston, one of the burglars, fatally shot. For the last two months burglaries have been an almost nightly occurrence in this city and the burglars seem to have special good luck in escaping detectives. Yesterday a slight clue to the perpetrators of the numerous burglaries was secured, and the house of a man by the name of Henderson at the corner of Fourth and Michigan streets was located as the headquarters of the gang.

Last night Marshal Whitney, Night Marshal Deuel, Policeman Jim Wiscup and J. B. Lyons concluded to watch the place. A search warrant was sworn out, so that the house might be searched for the stolen goods. The officers surrounded the house and watched it all night, and nothing particularly suspicious developed except that Henderson and two other men came in about 11 o'clock. The officers waited until about 5 o'clock this morning, when it was determined to search the house and see who could be found in the morning.

When they stepped into the room up stairs they found two of the burglars and when Marshal Whitney ordered them to surrender they opened fire on the officers. Marshal Whitney and Lyons returned the fire. At the second shot from the burglars Marshal Whitney pitched backward and fell against Deuel and pitched headlong down the stairs dead. A shot had struck him in the heart and he was instantly killed.

Lyons and Deuel then emptied their revolvers at the burglars. One of the burglars, Peter Johnston, was shot in four places, once through the head, once through the shoulder and once through each leg. Lyons got a shot through his clothes and it came so close to his head that he nearly died. About two inches. It was close enough to make Lyons start back in terror. After the shooting up-stairs the officers vacated the house, taking the body of the deceased Marshal with them. The body was placed on the sidewalk and some of the officers were sent down town to wake the people and get them ready for the search. One of the burglars in some way got out of the house and ran to the rear of the house, where he was found by the officers. As soon as it was found that one of the men had escaped searching parties were started in every direction. Blood hounds being used in the search. If he is caught he will be hanged.

The planter stolen from Lyons' store was found concealed in and about the Henderson residence, so that no doubt exists that the searching party were on the right track.

St. Louis Mail Hansacker. WASHINGTON, Mo., April 28.—Burglars entered the post-office in this city early this morning and attempted to blow the safe open with gunpowder. A large hole was bored near the combination and the charge exploded, but it failed to accomplish its purpose, and the only damage done, as far as the safe is concerned, is to the combination, which is broken so that the safe cannot be opened.

The thieves also turned their attention to a stack of mail matter which came from St. Louis on the Missouri Pacific night train. They cut their way into the mail car and in the back yard and opened nearly all the envelopes, but whether any money or valuables were taken is not known at this time. Entrance to the office, which is on the main street of the city, was effected by cutting out a pane of the back door and turning the key, which was on the inside, in the lock.

Two weeks ago the safe at Busch's brewery was blown open and \$250 stolen and it is thought that the same parties were implicated in both burglaries.

Horse Thief Captured. PARIS, Tex., April 28.—Night before last while Deputy Sheriff Sam Woods and posse were scouring the country in search of Lee Horne, who killed Tom Shaw, they met a man in the road and examined him to see if he was the man. After satisfying themselves that it was not Horne they released him, but he started in a run. They pursued and captured the horse. It proved to be stolen from a man in the neighborhood. Yesterday search was made for the man and he was found in hiding in a miners' camp. Few miles away. He was brought here and jailed last night.

Revival of the Curfew. From the Boston Herald.

Nothing in an English village or town is more touching and thrilling than the curfew bell, commonly called the curfew. It was once quite common in New England in the country towns, but in the dense into which the ringing of bells has fallen it is largely passed away. It is a custom which has found a natural home among people of English descent, and its early revival is evident. It is the custom of the curfew bell, and in other cities that the curfew shall be restored, and when once the bells are rung from the Christ Church bells in this city, it will be almost imperative that the curfew shall be heard from the center of old Boston.

An Extraordinary Memory. From the Chattanooga Times. James Burch is an ordinary-looking negro, who resides in Sequachee County, but he is possessed of a memory which is nothing less than wonderful. Friday he visited the Court-house in this city and for some great interest a number of leading attorneys and county officials by exhibitions of his peculiar gift. He can neither read nor write, but he delivered a deposition verbatim—questions and answers—heard Judge D. M. Key read at Jasper. Twenty years ago, at that time the judge was a practicing attorney, Burch also repeated several speeches he had heard delivered by prominent politicians who are now dead and almost forgotten.

Another Big Lay-Out of Purchases

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Expert, Experienced and Cash-Buying Buyers to Flatten Out All Competition.

Balance of Bischof Son's Wrap, Cape, Cloak and Suit Stock goes for an old Hurdy-Gurdy! Swift Buyers, Swift Payers and Swift Sellers are the Invincible Crawford's. Always the Headquarters for New, Pretty, Tasteful and Inexpensive Millinery. Immense new stock of Ladies', Youths', Children's and Boys' Shoes. Prices always beyond compare. Boys' and Youths' Ready-made Clothing of the Best Makers at prices to make regular clothing stores look silly. No such stocks of Silks and Dress Goods in America at the prices.

Note New and Lower Prices Than Ever for This Week!



Tuxedo Suits, in fine Diagonal Serge, colors tan, mode, navy blue and black, regular \$10.50 Suits, for

\$7.50

LACE DEPT.

We are receiving daily new lots of Point Venice Laces and Insertions, also Black Silk Bourdon and Net Top Laces and Insertions, latest effects in German, French and English manufactures.

Butter color Venetian Point Laces and Insertions, from 1 to 15 inches wide, from 5c to \$2 a yard. Bourdon Laces and Insertions, from 1 to 18 inches and from 15c to \$2.50 a yard.

Embroideries

Special Sale of 45-Inch Skirtings. 45-inch Black, embroidered in colors, also White embroidered in colors and all-white Hemstitched Skirting, worth \$2.50 to \$5 a pattern, your choice of the lot at \$1.25 a pattern of 4 1/2 yards.

Handsome line of Lace Edged Embroidery from 3 to 15 inches and from 20c to 75c a yard.

Beautiful line of Colored Embroideries from 5c upward. Remnants of Embroideries any day of the week at half price.

GLOVES.

1 lot Black Glace and Suede, colored Glace Kid Gloves, tan color, with 4 large buttons, 75c pair. Ladies' fine quality Black Silk Mitts, 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c pair.

Novelty Clothes Wringers, best white rubber rolls,

\$1.79

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Why the Clock Did Not Strike. From the London Daily News.

Those who passed St. Paul's Cathedral last evening may have noticed that the clock apparently did not strike 8. It, however, really did strike, and its soundlessness was, we understand, due to a pious little conspiracy, of which certain music lovers who shall be named may perhaps not unreasonably be suspected. Bach's "Passion," according to St. Matthew, was being performed in the Cathedral before an enormous congregation, and, as everybody who attends such occasions is a careful listener, a church clock has the awkward habit of striking at very inconvenient moments, often entirely spoiling the effect of the passages. So certain young

men last evening mounted the bell-tower and took the liberty of tying a kneeling cushion to the bell-hammer, which thus fell without noise. Immediately after 8 o'clock the cushion was brought down again, and the clock struck 9 as usual.

An Insuperable Obstacle. From the Detroit Free Press. Askin: "Indeed! What? Menn?" Gilly: "No." Askin: "What's in the way?" Gilly: "She said something I couldn't overlook." Askin: "Indeed! What?" Gilly: "She said 'No.'"

He Rose in the Coffin. From the Baltimore American. A ghastly joke was perpetrated yesterday in the old Potter's Field, Portsmouth, Va., that came near unbalancing the brains of several city employees and resulting otherwise seriously. An unknown young man had placed a box in an open grave, blacked his face and hands, entered the box and was covered with dirt by friends, a place being left for air. When the cemetery hands came to remove the bodies not already taken up, the dirt was removed and the box containing the joker opened. He then raised up, although nearly suffocated, upon a party men had in every direction, several becoming unconscious from fright. During the excitement the joker and his friends were seen.

Re-establishing Amicable Relations. From the Indianapolis Journal. New Missionary: "I hope that our new relations may be pleasant." Cardinal Xim: "No, do I. The fellow was here before you was a regular member."

Colored Dress Goods.

All-wool Cream Figured Bunting, something you usually pay 25c for, At 9 Cents a Yard.

40-inch Fancy Broaded Serges, all-wool filling, in tan and gray, made to sell for 35 cents, At 15 Cents.

Double-width Pin Check Suiting, all-wool filling, that would be cheap at 25 cents, For 15 Cents.

Special

We are going to let out on Monday our High-toned Novelties at Greatly Reduced Prices, to make room for our Summer Fabrics, which are now arriving. Note the prices:

25 pieces of French Novelties that have never been sold in this city for less than \$1.00, At 65 Cents.

25 pieces Silk and Wool Illuminated Dress Goods, sold elsewhere at \$1.25, At 85 Cents.

15 pieces 40-inch Fancy Striped Suiting, pure silk and wool, worth \$1.25, At 85 Cents.

Crawford's is headquarters for Challies, the French goods being sold at 50c and 57 1/2c a yard, where others ask 60c and 65c.

All the 3-4 American weaves reduced from 20c and 25c to 15c a yard.

Silks

Colored Silk Moire at the ridiculously low price of 35 Cents a Yard.

Another lot of those beautiful and popular 28-inch Black Jap. Silks, 75-cent quality, At 49 Cents a Yard.

Double-warp Black Surahs—you can't match them under 65 cents, At 50 Cents a Yard.

One lot Fancy Striped Twilled India Silk that it cost 82 1/2c to import, At 49 Cents a Yard.

Black Silk, Crystal weave, worth \$1.00 a yard in any other house. Crawford's has a corner on it, At 65 Cents.

Black Silk Duchesses that was never manufactured for less than 90c, a treat to Crawford's customers, At 75 Cents.

Upholsterings.

Irish Point Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, at \$3.75 per pair.

Irish Point Lace Curtains, extra fine goods, at \$5.00 per pair; regular value 7.50.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 1/2 yards long, extra width, at \$1.25 per pair.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 4 yards long, at \$1.75 per pair; would be cheap at \$2.25.

Chenille Portieres, assorted colors, with tuck down and fringe at top and bottom, at \$3.50 per pair.

Very fine Chenille Portieres, assorted new shades, at \$6.75 per pair; regular value \$9.50.

Assorted styles Bro-Bussels Rugs, 36x72 inches, at \$2.00 each; worth \$3.00.

Housefurnishings.

Willow Clothes Baskets, 39c.

Fancy Decorated Japanese China Plates, large size, 15c.

Fancy Decorated Dinner Sets, consisting of 100 pieces, \$7.39.

Fancy Decorated Tea Sets, consisting of 56 pieces, \$3.49.

Novelty Clothes Wringers, best white rubber rolls, \$1.79.

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Ladies' Tea Gowns, like above cut, in black and white or blue and white Penangs, or light blue, pink and lavender Silkolines, regular \$1.75 Tea Gown, for

\$1.25

Special in Ladies' and Children's

Underwear.

Ladies' Egyptian Cotton Vests, low neck and sleeveless, also wing sleeves, taped neck and arms, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c.

Ladies' French Lisle Thread and Balbriggan Vests, knee and ankle lengths, pants to match, 35c and 50c; worth 50c and 69c. Extra sizes cut to 35c, 50c and 65c.

110 dozen Ladies' Egyptian Cotton Union Suits, Monday and while they last, 25c each; regular price 50c.

Children's Jersey Ribbed Vests, all sizes, 5c and 12 1/2c; worth almost double.

Special in Ladies' and Children's

Hosiery.

Ladies' Plated Silk Hose, black boot and colored tops, also solid colors, blue, pink, lavender, red, tan, cream and white, choice Monday 75c per pair; regular price \$1.00.

Ladies' French Lisle Thread Black and Boot Patterns, also solid colors to match slippers, 35c and 50c; worth 50c and 69c.

Ladies' Fast Blackland Fancy Cotton Hose, full regular made, double heel and toe, Monday and while they last, 12 1/2c, 15c and 25c per pair; regular prices 20c, 25c and 35c.

Children's Fast Black Regular Made Bicycle Hose, double knee, heel and toe, all sizes, choice 15c and 25c; worth 25c and 40c.

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PETERSON & HOMES, 516 Locust Street,

Now Offer
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A Splendid Lot of Bargains at Extraordinary Low Prices. The Goods Advertised Are Not Job Lots, but New Goods Sold at Our Usual Low Prices.



WE OFFER THE BIG BARGAIN OF THE SEASON.
Twelve different styles fine Japanese Tea Pots, fire proof, worth from 50c to \$1 each;
Our Price, 25 Cents Each.

UMBRELLA STAND.

A blue Japanese Umbrella Stand, 24 inches high, genuine Owari ware, are cheap at \$3.00; our price

\$1.35 Will Now Sell at **90 Cents Per Dozen.**

We have Twelve different styles of very finely Etched and Hand-Engraved Table Tumblers, first quality full crystal, that we



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We are handling the Belding Refrigerator, which is considered by all to be the best in the market, well made, economical in the use of ice, and very cheap.



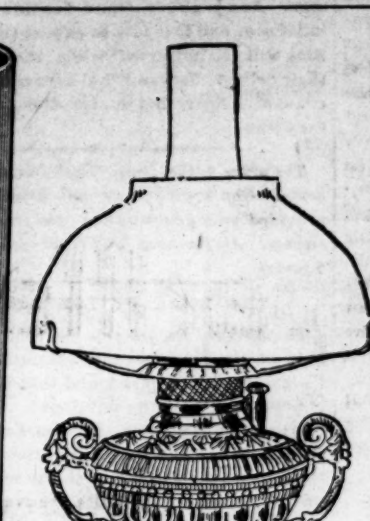
BOUILLOTTES.—We have 6 different decorations of French china Bouillottes, nicely decorated with covers. **\$2.00 per doz.** Are worth double the money.



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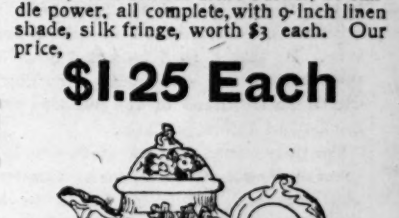
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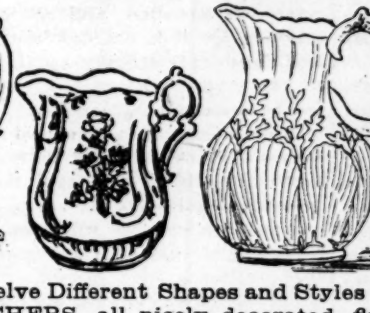
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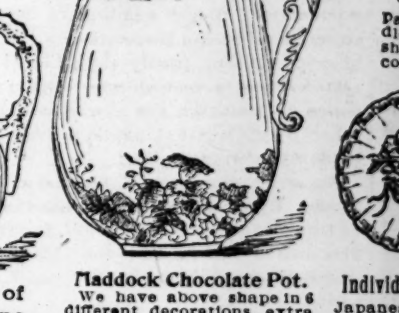
We will next week offer 4 styles of heavy deep cut satin finished Olives for the extraordinary low price of **\$2.50** Each. They are handled, 6 inches in diameter, and have never been sold by any house in St. Louis for less than \$4.75 each.



We will now sell our No. 557 Dinner Sets, 100 pieces, at **\$12.75** per set. They are worth \$16.75 per set. Hand painted natural colored flowers, with coin gold trimmings.



We offer six different styles Decorated Wash and Milk Sets, consisting of cream Pitcher, Soup Plate and Bowl, in Madock China, gold trimmed, neat decoration; are absolutely worth \$1 per set. We offer them **At 25 Cents Per Set.**



We offer three styles the above shaped Table Lamp, large size, central draft burner, 6-candle power, all complete with 10-inch white dome shade, worth \$3 each; our price, **\$1.25 Each.**



We offer a full-sized Brass Piano Lamp, with Patent extension, central draft burner, 6-candle power, all complete, with 14-inch lined shade, with silk fringe, any \$3 each. Our price, **\$4.90**

We Have Also a Full Line of FINE CHINA, TEA, DINNER and CHAMBER SETS, HEAVY CUT GLASSWARE and ART POTTERY That We Are Offering Lower Than Any House in the West.

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FIGURE OUT A LOSS.

How the Present Justices Regard the New Law.

CANDIDATES SO FAR ANNOUNCED FOR OFFICES UNDER THE REDISTRIBUTION.

What Justices and Constables Make Under the Present System and What They Will Have to Be Paid Under the Law—The Aspirants.

Whether the city will gain or lose financially by the change of laws governing justices' courts is no mooted question with the incumbents of the offices. They all declare, and with one voice, that the city will be money out. In the first place, they say, the city will be put to large expense in outfitting their offices, providing furniture, carpets, safes, books and stationery, and after fixtures have been provided there will come in the operating expenses of the plant. The original cost will not be less, it is claimed, than \$400 per office. The expenses of maintenance are figured up about this way:

HOW THEY FIGURE IT.
Nine Justices at \$2,500 each.....\$22,500
Nine Constables at \$1,500 each.....13,500
Eighteen Deputy Constables at \$500 each.....9,000
Nine Clerks at \$1,200 each.....10,800
Nine Janitors at \$600 each.....5,400
Cost of nine offices at \$50 per month each.....5,400
Stationary and supplies \$50 per month each.....5,400
Add \$400 for each office for first year.....3,600
Total.....\$65,600

It is claimed that the expense for the first year for establishing the courts, providing them housing, furniture and supplies and paying salaries will easily reach \$60,000; that no more than \$40,000 will be realized in fees. This is the opinion of men who admit that under the fee system they have had a good thing, and who declare that they will make the race for office at the reduced remuneration. This is their argument.

The best estimate of the position in the city is that attached to Justice Spaulding's court, where, according to the testimony of the clerk, Constable Tim Conway enjoyed a revenue of \$5,000 from October, 1892, to October, 1893, by all odds the most profitable year for justices ever known in the city. But this was an exceptional year. The best average made before that time was \$3,000 in the same court, and from that figure he receipts of constables ran down to \$1,500—some claim as low as \$1,200. For this the constable was obliged to work assiduously, to take many risks and pay with losses where condonance was misplaced. The justice, too, earned many fees by taking litigation on trust. But how will it be now? The fee-partisans ask.

The justice will take no business without costs, blunked down in lawful money. He will also, in many cases—such as landlords' summons—have an eye to political connections, and will not be heavy in putting a grandly organized of his own party out of his house just to earn a fee for the city while his own salary is going on "just the same." As for vigilance and zeal in the collection of costs, well, there is the Marshal's office for a sample of the operation, or rather of the lack of operation. The justice will take no case "cannot find the man" he goes to serve, after the plaintiff has put up his security for costs. It is no fault of his, the city gets the fee, the constable his salary. In short, there will be no fee for the city while the justice takes the salary. The friends of fees, for anybody connected with the justice court do more than keep the office open and draw the salary. The justice, as well as the constable, will give bond, but the constable will only for improper performance of their duties—where non-performance will not count. Nevertheless it would appear that all the incumbents are willing to take their chances under the new law. They boldly allege, however, that in the salaries offices there will be no little of the besting for business that is characterized their conduct under the system.

CHIEF OF CANDIDATES.
Justice James Meegan of the Thirtieth and will not be a candidate for re-election.

THE MIDLAND CONGRESS.

Salvation Army Proceedings During the Coming Week.

Mrs. Ballington Booth and her husband, the Commander of the Salvation Army in the United States, will arrive in the city Tuesday morning, and will take

part in the proceedings of the Midland Congress, to be held Tuesday and Wednesday next, at Salvation Army headquarters, 1417 Lucas place. The congress will be attended by over 100 staff captains, lieutenants and ensigns from Missouri, Nebraska, the Dakotas, Colorado, and New Mexico. Maj. French is the immediate head of the Midland division, but Commander Booth, the highest officer in the United States, will preside at the congress. Mrs. Booth will be instrumental in the perfecting of arrangements for the establishment of a "slum post" in this city, which will be one of the principal subjects to come before the congress. There will be a mass-meeting at Exposition Music Hall next Tuesday evening, preceded by a gigantic street parade. Commander



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JASPER COUNTY'S INSTITUTE.

It Will Be Held at Joplin, Commencing June 30.

CARTRIDGE, Mo., April 28.—The Executive Committee of the Jasper County Normal Institute met here to-day and decided to hold their annual institute at Joplin, to commence July 30 and to continue four weeks. They decided also to commence a four years' course.

The instructors will be County Superintendent W. H. Wharton, Prof. J. M. White and E. E. Dodd of Carthage; S. A. Underwood, Joplin, and W. J. Stevens, Webb City. Jasper County's Institute is the largest in the state.

Gubernatorial Appointments.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., April 28.—Gov. Stone made the following appointments to-day: C. H. Duckett, Surveyor of Douglas County, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of J. L. Creech; W. H. Jones, Oil Inspector at Fredricktown; T. B. Love of Greene County, member of the Board of Managers of the Nevada Insane Asylum, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Col. Dan Kennedy.

Passenger Bill on the Burlington, free train to-day at 10 a. m., 1:30 and 9:15 p. m.

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MILK AND DAIRY BILLS.

Sanitary Officer Francis Will Have Them Introduced Tuesday.

At the meeting of the City Council Tuesday night Chief Sanitary Officer Francis will have a new milk inspection and a new dairy inspection bill introduced. The measure will be separate and an attempt made to remedy all the defects of bills heretofore introduced on the same subjects.

The milk inspection bill places the entire matter under the direct control and supervision of the Board of Health. There are to be four inspectors, two of whom are to be veterinary surgeons and two practical chemists. The object will be to secure good men for all positions, and with this end in view, Mr. Francis has placed the salaries of the veterinarians at \$175 per month each, and the chemists at \$125 each. The chemists will inspect and analyze all samples of milk gathered by themselves or sent in by others, and the veterinary surgeons will look after the health of the cows in the various dairies. Provision is made for an inspection of the cows not only in the city dairies, but also in all dairies shipping milk to the city, and within a radius of 100 miles. Whenever it is discovered that the cows in any of these outside dairies are sick, one of the veterinarians will be immediately summoned, and unless the owner at once kills or otherwise disposes of the cows which are pronounced diseased or unhealthy, the milkman or dairyman in St. Louis who receives milk from the outside dairy will be notified to discontinue the sale of milk. If he refuses a notice will be published in the daily papers giving the names of the dairies. All four of the inspectors will be appointed by the health commissioner, with the approval of the Board of Health, and will therefore be employees of the board and directly responsible to it for the faithful performance of their duties.

The standard established for whole milk is 88 per cent water and 12 per cent solids, of which 9 per cent is to be butter fats. The sale of skimmed milk is absolutely prohibited. The second bill provides for a strict and thorough investigation of all the dairies within the city limits by the sanitary officers of the Board of Health.

PROSPECTING FOR OIL.

Thirty-five Thousand Acres Said to Have Been Bought on Speculation.

KANSAS CITY, April 28.—The counties of Bates and Vernon have the oil fever. Eastern oil men are leasing all the land they can find in these counties, and in many places are sinking wells, so far with favorable prospects of paying flows. Thirty-five thousand acres have been leased across the line in Bourbon County, Kansas, for the same purpose.

CLAY BANK FELL ON HIM.

Sam Gray, a negro, 46 years old, had his right wrist fractured and his left wrist broken by an embankment caving in on him while excavating in a clay pit near Mackinon avenue and New Manchester road yesterday morning. He works for Evans & Howard's firm, and was employed to dig a trench for tracks and the River Des Moines. After the accident he was taken to his home, 3311 Northrup avenue.

An Incurable Girl.

Mrs. Rosa Vogt of 2845 Arsenal street called at the Fifth District Station yesterday morning and requested the police to arrest her daughter Josephine, aged 15, who four weeks ago left her home, and has not been seen since. The girl is incurable and her mother desires to have her placed in the House of Good Shepherd.

Jasper County Mines.

CARTRIDGE, Mo., April 28.—The Pleasant Valley Mines, now being worked by A. O. Thibault, are still yielding heavily, and this week 12,000 pounds were sold for \$1,125. This land is attracting other operators, who are arranging to push developments.

BISHOP BONACUM'S CASE.

Archbishop Hennessy Pursuing a Secret Investigation.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 28.—Archbishop Hennessy of Dubuque has closed the second week of his "secret hunt" for evidence regarding the conduct of affairs in this diocese. Priests and laymen in this vicinity have been summoned before him, and witnesses living in the southern and western portions of the diocese have received similar calls. Opponents of Bishop Bonacum, who are closely watching the secret inquiry, claim the most potent witnesses are friends of the bishop. However this may be, the Archbishop has been put in possession of proofs of the most serious charges preferred by the priests. The demonstration of prominent laymen against the Bishop produced a marked impression, and those who participated in it express confidence in a satisfactory, if not an early solution of the demoralizing scandal. The belief that Bishop Bonacum must go is stronger now than at any time since the Pope's delegate voiced that sentiment at the residence of the Bishop of Omaha in June, 1893, or at least since he was reported as saying this.

After a Long Illness.

MOOREHEAD, Mo., April 28.—Halston Mitchell, a prominent druggist of this city, died this evening of diabetes, after a long illness.

Montesano Park Opens May 3.

Steamers Pargoud and State of Kansas from foot of Locust street at 10 a. m., 2 and 5 p. m.

BRICK FELL ON HIM.

George Grubitz, 30 years old, fell from the top of the Columbia Building yesterday morning. The wound is not dangerous.

HENRI MUST DIE.

The French Anarchist Who Burned a Bomb in a Cafe.

PARIS, April 28.—At the conclusion of the trial Henri, the Anarchist, was found guilty and was sentenced to death. He is the man who recently threw a bomb on the floor of a crowded cafe, injuring many people. He is a notorious Anarchist trial began yesterday.

Religious Notes.

There will be a choral even song at St. John's Episcopal Church this evening. A mission is being conducted at the Church of St. Lawrence O'Toole, which concludes this evening with impressive services. Eugene Field will deliver a reading at First Congregational Church, two-morrow evening. The thirteenth annual meeting of the Congregational Association of Missions will be held at the First Congregational Church, Springfield, Mo., May 3, 4 and 5. The exercises will begin Tuesday evening and close Thursday evening. The Congregational Churches of Springfield will co-operate with Drury College to entertain the visitors. Rev. Mr. Hagan will preach for the Universalist Society this morning and evening at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. At Lafayette Park Methodist Church, the pastor, Rev. E. B. Chappell, will speak again this morning on "Lessons From the Book of Job." In the evening he will continue the series of lectures on "Hills of Life," the special subject for this occasion being "Friends." Rev. First Minister of Mackinon Avenue Congregational Church will preach this morning on "Amen" and in the evening on "Three Hundred Years' Walk With God."

Famous Paintings.

COUPON NO. 7.

Name.....
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One Sunday Coupon and 10 cents for each part. STAMPS NOT ACCEPTED.

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IN THE "MIDGET,"

Will Be Found Coupon No. 3, for Part 4.

"AMERICA'S GREATEST MEN AND WOMEN,"
The Greatest Book of the Period.

SONG BIRDS MIGRATE.

The Queens of Grand Opera Leave America for Europe. Louisiana New York, April 28.—The annual exodus for Europe began to-day. Among the steamers that sail to-day were the La Touraine for Havre and Paris, the Etruria for Liverpool, the Wara for Genoa, the Spandam for Rotterdam, the Arizona and Anchora for Liverpool and Glasgow respectively. It was a pretty sight as the steamers slowly left their docks and steamed down the harbor. The decks were thronged with people, many of whom were returning to their homes after a season of pleasure or business in the United States. Among the latter were nearly all the song birds who made the season of grand opera just closed. They were the happiest people that sailed to-day, however uncomplimentary that may seem to the hospitality of Americans. Most of them will return in the fall. There is one who will not, the entrancing Calve, who quarreled with Mme. Emma Eames story the prima donna, and resigned in a huff her place in the opera company, and will not care for New York and its returns in the future. She sails on the La Touraine, and never told exactly what it was that Mme. Eames said or did that she should feel constrained to punish the whole opera-loving people of America. Mme. Eames and Consuelo Tomasi, Edouard and Yvonne de Reszke, Laballe, Martabour, Plancon and Vignon were her fellow passengers and colleagues, the great French comedian, was also among them. But they will all return in the fall. On the Etruria were several others of the song birds. Among them were Mlle. Bauermeister, Mme. Aronson and Mrs. Reviglio. Mlle. Bauermeister and Yvonne de Reszke were also on board. A band on a float boat, which was on hand to escort the Etruria down the bay, was not without numbers but made up in enthusiasm. Its chief business was to play operatic snatches which would delight the ears of the departing opera people, nearly all the chorus singers and several soloists and directors being on board. This mission was performed so admirably that the singers were kept in a constant state of cheering and wild waving of handkerchiefs. One adventurous male singer jumped over on the quarter deck and indulged in a series of fancy stunts which more than delighted the immense concourse of good-by bidders on the pier.

MINES CLOSED DOWN.

St. Clair County Operators Join the Strike—Belleville and East St. Louis.

All the coal mines in St. Clair County, with the exception, perhaps, of one or two small ones in the interior, from which no reports have been received, are shut down on account of the general strike and may continue inoperative for an indefinite period. The Maple mine, in Belleville, the largest in the county, was shut down yesterday morning. A mass-meeting is to be held by the miners to-morrow for the purpose of deciding upon a course to be pursued in the future.

The Democratic County Central Committee met here yesterday and fixed June 2 as the date for the County Convention, which will name delegates to the State and Congressional conventions. Chairman R. D. W. Holden presided at the meeting. The primaries are to be held May 26. On motion of J. J. Kane, the time for holding primaries was fixed at 7 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Melek of Highland were visiting in Belleville last week. The barbers hold a meeting to-morrow to make final arrangements for Sunday closing.

Members of the Lodge of East St. Louis last night. David Leichter and wife of St. Louis were here last week on a visit to friends and relatives.

Mrs. R. W. Ropiequet visited friends in Springfield, Ill., last week. Mrs. E. W. Gray of Syracuse street will entertain the Excelsior Literary Club Tuesday afternoon.

Miss L. Kasse of Fayetteville was the guest of Miss Lydia Michler last week. Miss March Thomas entertained her cousin, Miss Atkinson of Fulton, last week.

The new pipe organ at the First M. E. Church will be dedicated to-day. A splendid programme has been prepared for the event.

Dr. H. D. Schmidt of Nashville visited friends here last week. A reception for new members of the Baptist congregation will be held at the church next Friday.

Miss Rose Schick of St. Louis, who was here visiting relatives, returned yesterday. The choir of Christ Church, St. Louis, will give a concert in Belleville next month.

The new Board of supervisors will meet Tuesday to organize. Miss Anabel Manning taught last week at the Union school in place of Miss Margaret Baker, who was sick.

The W. C. T. U. held a regular meeting Friday at the residence of A. J. Grant. The Fair Base Ball Club of St. Louis will oppose the Clark at National Park here this afternoon.

The cases of T. W. Bowler and Chas. Schubert, East St. Louis police officers, indicted for assault, are set for trial in the Circuit Court to-morrow.

A new electric lighting plant will soon be in operation in New Athens. The Crescent Cycling Club of Carondelet will visit Belleville to-day.

The Liederkreis Society gave a children's concert last night. The Women's Relief Corps of Hecker Post held a business meeting yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. John Pope, Mrs. H. E. Jones and Mrs. Carrie Daniels represented the Daughters of Rebecca at the Metropolis Odd Fellows' Convention last week. Henry Hurgard, who had his leg broken by a fall last week, is recovering.

East St. Louis.

Daniel Lee, an old railroad man, died yesterday at St. Mary's Hospital after an illness of only a few days. He had lately been employed as a fireman at the Main street crossing of the Air Line. Last Wednesday morning he was found unconscious in his work-house, suffering with an acute attack of pneumonia and was removed to the hospital. He was 65 years of age and unmarried.

The track on East Broadway will be removed this week to Missouri avenue and connected with the street to facilitate the transfer of materials for the new street improvement. The Broadway improvement is nearly finished and there is no longer any need of the switch on that street. Work on Missouri avenue will begin in a few days.

The Gaiety Show, which was presented by local talent at Manager J. W. Reed's annual benefit at the McDaniel Opera-house last week, will probably be reproduced in May at the same place and by the same company for the benefit of the Public Library.

The Board of Education will meet Tuesday night and will probably issue an order for the vaccination of all the pupils of the public schools. It is expected that the board will employ a physician for each building. The city authorities are awaiting a consignment of virus from the Board of Health, and when it arrives County Physician Thompson will perform vaccination at the City Hall free of charge.

A class of thirty children, lately confirmed, will take communion at St. Henry's Catholic church to-day.

Queen City and Eureka Lodges, K. of P., visited Mount City Lodge in St. Louis Friday night.

The Vandalla and Oxford ball clubs will play at the Compress Grounds this afternoon.

Edmund S. Robbins of Waterbury, Conn., the Drummer Evangelist, will deliver an address at Association Hall to-day.

The Philharmonic Society will meet to-day at the residence of Herman Doehner on Columbia avenue.

E. W. Jamerson, a prominent contractor, who died yesterday, aged 65 years, will be buried at St. Peter's cemetery. Services will be performed at the city residence, 31 Brighton place, at 3 p. m.

The funeral will be under the auspices of the Valley Lodge, I. O. O. F. members of the Jean Inglew Club entertained Friday by Mrs. E. Gish at St. Louis avenue.

The Corn Girth of Main street entertained a golden Rod Social Club last Thursday night.

Mayor of Ste. Genevieve, Mo., is the guest of his brother-in-law, G. W. Lalumendiere.

Miss Rose Mulconary of Belleville is the guest of Miss Julia Dowd. The W. C. T. U. has elected Mrs. Florence Given of East St. Louis president, and Mrs. M. F. Paschal, also of this city, secretary. Miss Anna Schnab has gone to Columbia, Ill., to visit friends.

R. I. I. Notes. J. F. Johnson has been appointed cashier of the C. & A. East St. Louis freight house, to succeed F. E. Finley, who committed suicide at Alton. Martin L. Clardy has resigned the local attorneyship of the Cotton Belt and W. H. Miller has been appointed in his stead. The Burlington will resume its regular excursion train service between St. Louis and Chicago.

General Western Agent Bowes of the Alton has returned from an extended business tour of the Southwest. Assistant General Passenger Agents Crane of the Wabash and Heard of the Missouri Pacific returned to St. Louis yesterday from Chicago, where they have been in attendance upon a special meeting of the Western Passenger Association. It was agreed at the meeting held Friday afternoon to extend the territory applying to home-seekers' excursions to Colorado and Utah and principal points in the South and West. At the present time the fare rates for these excursions apply only to Texas and Arkansas.

On account of the German Singing Society of Highland, Ill., which is to give a grand festival at Highland, May 17-23, the Vandalla will, on May 17, hold a dance between St. Louis and Denison, Ill., at one fare for the round trip. St. H. Farns, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the Union Pacific, formerly with the Missouri Pacific, was in the city yesterday. General Henry Dredge and Vice-President Warner of the Missouri Pacific returned to headquarters yesterday from an extended business trip in the West.

Mortality Report. The mortality report for the week shows that there were 180 deaths from all causes, which is 50 less than for the previous week. Of these there were from pneumonia 23, consumption 15, bronchitis 12, circulatory system 11, nervous diseases 8, measles 3, diphtheria 2, group 1, whooping cough 2, typhoid fever 2, cancer 8, marasmus 3, meningitis 4, convulsions 4, heart stroke 1, apoplexy 4, Bright's disease 1, scurvy 4, surgical operations 1, suicide 2, homicide 1, and by accident 1. There were 121 births during the week.

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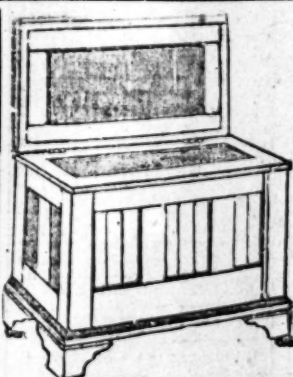
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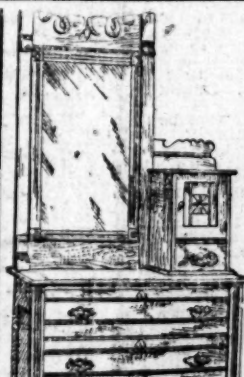
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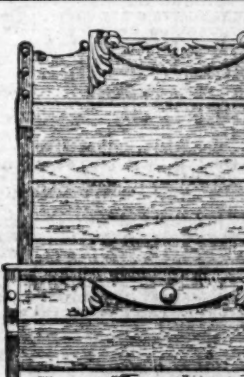


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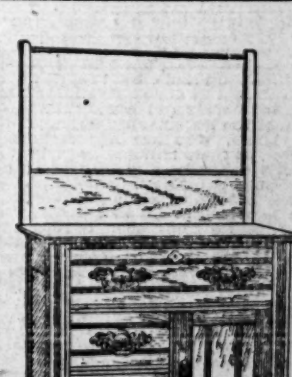


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THE MATCH IS OFF.

Princess Poniatowski and Miss Maude Burke Will Not Marry.

THE ENGAGEMENT HAS BEEN BROKEN BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT.

Statement of Miss Burke to the Post-Dispatch Correspondent—She Said There Was Simply a Postponement of the Wedding—Her Step-Father, However, Later Declared the Betrothal Broken.

NEW YORK, April 28.—The engagement of Princess Poniatowski, the grandson of the late King of Poland, to Miss Maude Burke is broken, at least so the Prince declared at 7 p. m. yesterday, although at 5 p. m. Miss Burke said she had not broken the betrothal in those four hours something happened. The engagement was announced several months ago and the breaking of the engagement was foretold in the press April 15. The Prince reached here early in the week, having come in a private car with his friend George Crocker, whose brother Charles is Vice President of the Missouri Pacific Railroad. Mr. Crocker is to be married June 5 in this city to Mrs. Rutherford.

The Prince, who is in the best of health and good spirits, contemplates remaining here a couple of months. At present he has a suite of rooms at 45 Fifth avenue, in the new club. He simply said that the engagement was at an end by mutual consent. In the autumn he will again return here, having some large business projects in mind which he desires to carry out. When he first went to San Francisco, now nearly three months ago, the intention was that his wedding with Miss Burke should be celebrated at that place. It was postponed, and then she came to New York. The Prince has traveled extensively in California of late; in fact, he has been in this country, off and on, for a year or more, and has pretty well done the States.

Since the engagement was announced the public has become familiarized by constant repetition with the fact that Miss Burke, who was until recently the fiancée of the Prince, is the daughter of an old California friend of Gen. Horace Carpenter, who now lives here, but who formerly resided at Oakland, Cal. Since the loss of her father Miss Burke has been his ward, probably because

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ARREST BY REQUEST.

The Pretty Young Woman Charged With Being Dr. Decker's Accomplice.

NEW YORK, April 28.—An attractive young woman called on Inspector McLaughlin yesterday afternoon and made the startling announcement that she wanted to be placed under arrest. She said she had been charged with being the accomplice of Dr. Decker of Manchester, N. J., who was recently arrested in St. Augustine, Fla., on charges of robbery. When she called she was ushered into the Inspector's office, and when she completed the story the Inspector granted her request. He placed her under arrest. Her story very nearly completes the chain of evidence against the hotel thief. When Decker was arrested in St. Augustine, Mrs. Decker, who had been living with him in some style in Manchester, suddenly disappeared from the hotel in that town, taking with her jewelry valued at \$5,000. This was Monday morning last. She returned to the hotel, where she had left two trunks in the evening, but early Thursday disappeared, and was not afterward seen until she called on Inspector McLaughlin after she left Manchester the second time officers visited the Central Hotel and searched the trunks. They found many evidences of crime. In a



Miss Maude Alice Burke.



Prince Poniatowski.

box was a list of places which had been robbed in the bottom of trunks were seven cases of costly medical instruments with the name of the owner scratched out. In all the articles found there which had apparently been stolen were valued at \$2,000. There was a revolver and several letters in French which showed the woman's maiden name was Anna Vogt. A passport showed that she had come here from Berlin. The property was sold and the owners of a part of it located. Mrs. Decker was agitated when she seated herself in the Inspector's office. She said she had read in the papers that a woman who was Decker's accomplice had been married and ended by placing her crimes unknowingly, that she was innocent of any willful participation and that she wished to surrender in the interest of public justice and to vindicate herself.

Then she told the story of her life. She was born in Germany twenty years ago and her maiden name was Anna Vogt. She was a governess in Germany, and when out of work in 1892 she went to Lakewood several times. After each visit I heard the hotel there had been robbed. He left Manchester on Tuesday, to go south, and I went to visit a large orange grove he owned at St. Augustine. Now and again he would send for me to the boxes of jewelry, dresses and doctors' instruments. I received a letter one day which informed me that he had been arrested for fighting, and in order to conceal his identity gave his name as Pierce. He was not in session, and that he would have to spend a large sum of money in order to get out of the difficulty without recourse to lawyers and courts. He gave me instructions to take a pair of his slippers to a shoemaker and have him cut a hole in the sole of each one. Into this hole he ordered me to insert some fine saw which were running his effects. I did so, and slipped them in a box with some clothing and left him in care of the hotel. Inspector McLaughlin asked her if she had pawned jewelry for \$50 in Bowery ten days ago, she said. Decker sent her the jewelry from St. Augustine. It costed several spoons, a gold watch and several ladies' gold-mounted combs. The Inspector immediately treated her water, trying to sell St. Augustine asking him if he wished the woman held and notifying him that saws concealed in shoes had been sent to Decker. Detectives went on to Manchester last night in order to seize the effects of the couple at the hotel.

Decker has gone under the aliases of George Crocker, the Chief of Police of Chicago City Electric Street Railway Co. was sold this afternoon by order of the Superior Court, to satisfy an indebtedness amounting to about \$75,000. J. C. Hubinger of this city was the purchaser, his bid being \$10,000.

Montesano Park Opens May 3. Steamer Pargoud and State of Kansas from foot of Locust street at 10 a. m., and 2 p. m.

Two doctors in a prominent business man's office said: Well, we are going to have a photograph taken of a small-pox patient to show the exact condition of the case. "Well," said the gentleman, "here are two boxes of Targarets; smoke them and I will protect you." The doctor lit a Targaret and exclaimed: "A fine disinfectant for the business—good! Just the thing."

A Merciless Slaughter at the Globe.

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2628 CHESTNUT ST.—Nicely furnished; all conveniences; no board; also two rooms for light housekeeping; all conveniences; reasonable.
2629 PINE ST.—Nicely furnished; no board; all conveniences; reasonable.
2630 PINE ST.—Newly fur. 2d-class board; all conveniences; reasonable.
2631 LOCUST ST.—Nicely furnished; all conveniences; reasonable.
2633 PINE ST.—Nicely fur. from new; all conveniences; reasonable; exposure; bright.
2634 PINE ST.—A story front room; all good table board.
2641 WASHINGTON AV.—Nicely furnished; all conveniences; reasonable.
2643 PINE ST.—Nicely fur. on board.
2706 LOCUST ST.—Furnished rooms, with or without board; all conveniences.
2710A MORRISAN ST.—24 floor gentlemen; also day board; moderate.
2722 PINE ST.—Desirable rooms; excellent table; central location; low price.
2732 OLIVE ST.—Desirable 2d-class board; with board.
2734 OLIVE ST.—Furnished 2d-class hall room; board.
2801 Locust St.—Furnished rooms; other rooms, with or without board.
2804 LOCUST ST.—Desirable rooms; connecting rooms; with or couples.
2808 LOCUST ST.—34-story first-class board; with board.
2821 OLIVE ST.—23-story front furnished; good board; terrace view.
2827 WASHINGTON AV.—2d class board; all conveniences.
2835 WASHINGTON AV.—Nice front; also connecting rooms; all conveniences.
2836 Locust St.—Large front; front bath and all conveniences; very comfortable.
2901 WASHINGTON AV.—A few nicely fur. and well kept; give up space; all conveniences.
2905 WASHINGTON AV.—2 large rooms; outside exposure; all conveniences.
2915 PINE ST.—A neatly furnished room; all conveniences.
2918 PINE ST.—A handsomely furnished; first-class board; reasonable.

vicinity of family; see at 2930
2927 LEXINGTON AVE.—Elegant
small room; 1st-class table; \$60, \$30 and \$45.
2930 LOCUST ST.—An elegant table
small room; 1st-class table; \$60, \$30 and \$45.
2939 WASHINGTON AV.—House
front, 3d-story back; with
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2938 MORGAN ST.—Lovely front
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veniences.
2949 DAYTON ST.—Nicely fur-
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class; day boarders wanted.
2951A THOMAS ST.—Front re-
bath, etc.; \$40 per month for
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Central cars; private family; no
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3335 PINE ST. - Delightful large
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board; private family; near

3814 OLIVE ST.—Furnished room family, with or without board; no other roomers.

3851 WINDSOR PL.—A desirable bath, in private family; breakfast dinner; one or two gentlemen.

3919 WASHINGTON AV.—Nice with or without board; private family.

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ROOMS: 1110 with board; everything str-

6052 HORTON PL.—Neatly furni-
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Fourth and Market streets. In pursuance
of the investigation of a bureau which may be
really serviceable to some, amusing to others
and a terrible pitfall for others I found



The Idea of the Bureau's Business as the Professor Gave It Out.

myself in the dinky quarters of the concern
now anxiously seeking patrons.

NICHOLS ROOM 40.

This uncompromising sign on the fourth
floor of the McLean Building told me I was at
the "office" indicated in the circulars re-
ceived by mail.
It is not a very communicative sign and to
the average observer conveys no intimation
that room 40 is an "International Corre-
sponding Bureau," where wives or hus-
bands, as the case may be, are furnished to
suit all tastes.
The room in which this interesting bureau
is established looks as if it were the habi-
tation of a man of letters. The walls are
tinted in a soft, agreeable shade, and the
furniture is of a dark, antiquesque wood,
which adds to the room a certain air of
refinement and dignity. The room is a
medium-sized room, and is divided into two
parts by a low partition. Behind a cur-
tained partition is the proprietor's bed and
dressing room.
Nichols is a very chatty man, and in his
way very polite. He looks to be about 40
years old, and wears an expensive suit
which would indicate that though engineer-
ing marriages might be romantic, it was not
profitable to any marked degree.
He explained in a chatty, honest sort of
way which left little necessity for asking
questions, that he was a sort of jack-of-all-
trades and turned a dollar at almost every-
thing he could. One of his accomplishments
was collecting bad debts and he had many
others.
Seeing in his visitor a prospective appli-
cant for matrimony Nichols set once
planned into an explanation of this branch
of his varied pursuits. What he said is more
completely and better expressed in his circular,
printed upon bright pink paper and
adorned with the profiles of a man and
woman, who it was alleged were happily
married through his agency. They looked like
"after taking" stock cuts. This alluring
document read as follows:

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THIS BUREAU was established for the
purpose of introducing people of
every age, rank, nationality and
religion, in all parts of the world, to
each other in correspondence with ladies
and gentlemen from all parts of the
country, who wish to correspond for fun,
pastime, mutual improvement or mat-
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With our system there is no publicity,
and you can trust us with your confi-
dence without fear of anyone discover-
ing your connection with this bureau.
All our business is done through the
mail, and the utmost privacy guaran-
teed. There is, of course, no danger of
any kind incurred by patronizing a cor-
responding bureau, because it is in every
way honorable; notwithstanding, there
are persons who do not care to have
such matters made public.
We send you the addresses of the par-
ties, so that you can write direct to them.
Ladies and gentlemen who desire cor-
respondents should fill out the blank that
accompanies this circular and return it to
us. We have made arrangements
for the exchange of letters, and by
returning the dates of persons' births

Our charges are as follows: Ladies, 10
cents for each correspondent, or ten cor-
respondents for 50 cents; gentlemen, 10
cents for each correspondent, or ten cor-
respondents for 50 cents. The privacy guaran-
teed did not materialize
at any time when the Post-Dispatch re-
porter was present. The visitor was per-
mitted unobtrusively to examine the files containing applications for

poor, young or old, maidens or widows,
bachelors or widowers, write to us and
we will certainly satisfy you in a proper
selection.
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cents for each correspondent, or ten cor-
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teed did not materialize
at any time when the Post-Dispatch re-
porter was present. The visitor was per-
mitted unobtrusively to examine the files containing applications for

correspondents and to copy all desired for
future study.
In case this first circular proves alluring
enough to draw forth the necessary time,
the patrons are sent another circular, this
time of a bluish yellow hue, which is prac-
tically a lesson on marriage bureau etiquette.



A Memory Sketch of My Interview Friday Afternoon.

The fact that it is necessary to so instruct
patrons as to this rather naive at their ignor-
ance upon this subject, but the bureau pa-
trons are not of a sensitive class. This second
circular reads as follows:
LADIES should always answer a letter
when stamp is enclosed for reply,
and either accepting or declining cor-
respondence. A great many of our lady
members are very intelligent and hand-
some, and some of them get more cor-
respondents than they have time to write to.
When a lady gets into a difficulty of
this kind she should promptly inform us
of the fact, and we will not send her any
new correspondents until she has leisure
to attend to them. All of our members,
both ladies and gentlemen, are entirely
respectable, as far as we can learn, and
we will not, under any circumstances,
admit those who are not, if we know it.
Gentlemen, when writing to a lady,
should include our card of introduction.

and send stamp for reply. They should
be careful to write the letters as neatly
and correctly as possible. On this point
alone much depends whether or not they
get a favorable reply. As many of our
members are highly educated, and would
not give a favorable reply to a letter
poorly and carelessly written. Be per-
fectly candid when writing of yourself,
and do not attempt to write or understate
your abilities or circumstances. State the
facts as they are, and you will gain the
confidence of your correspondents.
Ladies and gentlemen should send photo-
graphs of themselves if possible to this bureau.
with their descriptions, and the results
will be much more satisfactory. They
need not be afraid of publicity, for none
of the members know whose picture the
bureau is completed by a blue "return
blank," which reads as follows:

BLANK TO BE FILLED.
Please fill out this blank as completely as possible
and return to us; also send your photo. No one
will see this blank, and no one will get your
name or address except those with whom you
place you in direct correspondence. Write the
year, month, day of month and
place of birth.

Then follow blanks for answers and the
following queries concerning the applicant
and his or her choice:
Sex. Use. Name.
Date of birth. Yearly income.
Place of birth. Religious faith.
Height. Inhabitants in any.
Weight. Wish to correspond for.
Color of eyes. Object to one married be-
fore.
Color of hair. Any children.
Complexion. Education.
Tastes cultivated. Full name.
General health. Address.
Religion. Use tobacco.
The "unlimited" number of correspond-
ents at the service of applicants was really,
according to the statement of Nichols, less
than 200. The SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH re-
porter turned the file containing women and
girl correspondents for a few moments, but
soon lost interest in the task. Most of the
applications were badly written, misspelled
and ungrammatical to a degree rarely met
with in so small a compass.
The number of those willing to acknowl-
edge that matrimony was the hoped-for out-
come of the correspondence solicited was not
large outside of the ranks of widows. The
more frequent answers were "for fun," "for
enjoyment and mutual improvement," "for
pleasure" and "for pastimes." Some sub-
tle distinctions could be traced in the choice
of words.
In this respect the bureau with such pos-
sibilities to do harm deserves some attention
from the police.

SOME ANSWERS.
The reporter purchased a few cards of in-
troduction and duly mailed them. A num-
ber of answers were received of which the
following are fair samples. The first is a
well-written letter from a widow in Illinois,
who describes herself as a "half blond,"
golden-haired and 33 years old. Possibly an
innocent, foolish woman. Her identity is
not made known here. It reads in part as
follows:

In reply to yours of the 21st I say I was
very pleasantly surprised. At the time of the arrival
here I was another love of Illinois. I have
been employed as trimmer in one of the military
stores here. I returned to my home in Illinois
and the remark I made regarding the object of the
correspondence on the 21st. Why not? An error
could not have given a more true one unless I would
have said "I am a widow." I am a widow and
have a great amount of time in my hands. I am
not a "half blond," but I would like to be one.
I did not know whether I would like the
gentleman the "bureau" would send me. At all
events, but I truly hope the gentleman would
be a man of letters. I am naturally very lively
and enjoy life of fun. I am all I like better and
principles.
Though only 33 years old, I am a part-
master in "bureau" correspondence. It
seems to be a case of inherited taste as her
mother is said to have resorted to a similar
institution in order to end her period of
single blessedness. No. 2 described herself
as being 5 feet 4 inches tall, and having hazel
eyes.

ANOTHER SAMPLE.

Her first letter contained the following
gist:
I am glad to find another advocate of the grand
enterprise of the Corresponding Bureau.
Would you mind to tell me what your profes-
sion is? Also something more of yourself, so that
I may know just who I am writing to. Our name has
been in the papers, and I have heard of it. I
do not know each other from learning our
names, or kind-like; even distinct characteristics
of each other fail to distinguish us. I am a
real self sometimes. The human family seem to
be themselves in this business. I have best
thoughts.
I am 27 years of age to-day, March 21. I have
brown hair and eyes, medium complexion, and
5 feet 4 inches in height. I weigh 127 pounds.
I do not mind to tell you what I am doing, and
I am sure you will not mind to tell me what
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NATIONAL LUNG-TESTER.

Marvellous Feats of Some of Our Long-Winded Senators, Who, by Senatorial Courtesy, Wait Each for His Turn.



THE COYOTE.

So Shrewd That He Knows When the Hunter Is Armed.

From April 21, 1893.

The scent of the coyote is not nearly so sharp as his eyesight, also now could any sage grouse or broad-bill duck nest in coyote land without being promptly found and eaten? As to game, he kills all kinds of small ground game, young deer and antelope. His specialty however, is feeding upon dead carcases of large animals, either wild or tame. This being the case, when on a buffalo hunt in Montana, in 1890, we got many fine coyotes for our collection by putting around the buffalo carcasses numerous bits of lean meat only charged with strychnine. The ranchmen and cowboys of the West have slaughtered tens of thousands of coyotes in this way,

to protect their young calves and sheep, and also to make money from pelts and bounties. The barking habit of the coyote is very dog-like, and his old name of barking wolf is very appropriate. When collecting mammals in Wyoming it was a very common thing for us to hear the coyotes around our camp set up a great barking in chorus at the first sign of daybreak, just when the roosters begin to crow on the farm. It is a wild and uncultivated kind of bark, ending in a falsetto howl, and resembles the cry of the jackal of India more nearly than any other sound I ever heard. But the coyote is out. He knows exactly the distance that constitutes fair rifle range, and he knows just as well whether the stranger is armed as does the stranger himself. When hunting in the Shoshone Mountains in 1890 I wanted to kill a coyote for a special purpose, but never once succeeded in getting a fair shot, even at 200 yards. For ten days we bagged away industriously at every one we saw, but never touched a hair. Finally, at Corbett's ranch, I left the

expedition and started North by stage, leaving behind me rifle, revolver, knife and even scissors. Just two hours after I had said goodby to my shooting irons and taken the buckboard "stage," we saw a coyote ahead of us, close to the trail. Seeing us coming, he selected a soft spot, sat down within thirty yards of the trail, and waited for us. We drove up, stopped as we got opposite him, and still he did not run. That villain sat there coolly and looked us over without moving a muscle, but with a leer that plainly said: "Now, don't you wish you had your old gun?" When we got through making faces at him, and wishing for a gun, a revolver, or even a common stone to throw at him, we drove on; and then he got up and went on hunting for jack rabbits. To this day I have been puzzling over the question: "How did that gray rascal find out so quickly that both the driver and I were totally unarmed?" That he did know it perfectly well I have no doubt whatever, for no coyote ever waited like that for a man with a gun.

QUITE A FAD.

The Appendicitis Habit the Latest in Surgery.

From the New York Times.

"Somebody in authority," said a woman one day last week, "will have to interfere with this growing notion that an operation for the removal of the vermiform appendix is desirable in all cases. I was much shocked not long ago to find that my son, a young man of 23, had joined with three of his friends in an agreement to undergo the operation. The other three young fellows actually did submit to it, although not one had ever had any symptom of appendicitis, nor had any member of his family ever so suffered. "Of course, when my boy's turn came he had to let us know, and his father and I interfered to some purpose. All the young men got through safely, though it was serious

for each, and in one case proved a dangerous shock. "Physicians recognize what is known as the 'appendicitis habit,' that is, some persons have slight attacks after eating, the effect soon passing away, however. Such persons are liable constantly to the danger that these slight attacks will take on a more serious form, making the surgeon's knife a necessity, and it is probably safer that these persons should submit to an operation for the removal of the cause of the trouble, while free from inflammation and pain. It will be wise for persons not so disposed to weigh the matter well under most conservative opinion before acting.

Fontainebleau Forest.

This grand old forest of Fontainebleau is everywhere very beautiful, and, far from being monotonous in character, and, simply a forest of trees, it has a great variety of other natural beauties. Certain parts contain

rocky hills, enriched here and there by thick benches growing on a sandy soil. In places one sees great heaps of rocks of sandstone formation piled one above the other on the slope of the hills, as if large masses of water formerly had rushed through all this country, loosening the immense rocks, and heaping them one upon the other. One peculiarity of these rocks is that many of them are formed like great living monsters. When we went into the forest toward nightfall Francois was always greatly moved. It seemed to him as though we were amid a crowd of antediluvian monsters, and he enjoyed pointing out to me the semblance to living forms of these mysterious shapes.

A Hangman's Boast.

The Victorian hangman, who killed himself in Melbourne a few weeks ago, had been variously known under the names of Thomas Jones, Thomas Walker and Thomas Porter, but the right name was William Pearce, and

he was a native of Worcester, England. Under the name of Pearce he arrived in Melbourne in the golden era in 1850, and lived outside the clutches of the law until July, 1871, when he received three months for using indecent language and assault. In May, 1874, he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment for assault. The same year he was sentenced a sentence of four months for assault, and a fortnight later was sentenced to three years' imprisonment for receiving stolen property. These offenses complete his criminal record. He next appeared as an officer of the law in 1880, when he was appointed hangman. Jones was regarded by the authorities as an expert executioner, and he boasted, truthfully enough, that he never mistook the neck without breaking the skin.

A Trifle Nervous.

From Baltimore. "What are you thinking of?" "Nothing."

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When the woman said: "Well, doctor, we
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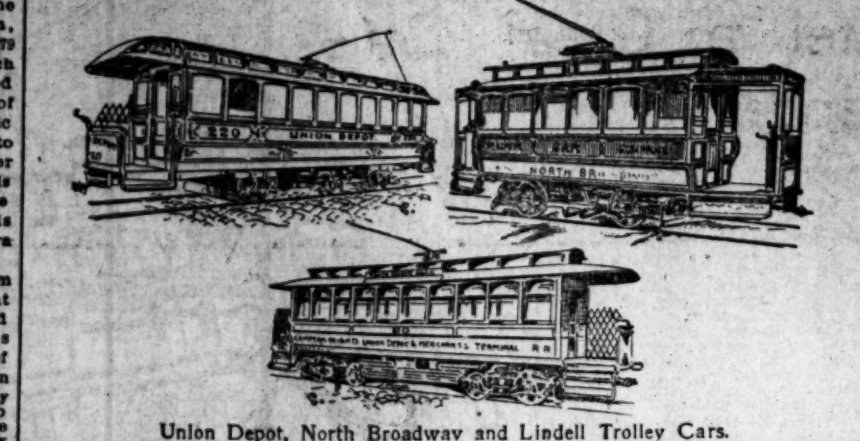


TRANSIT.

It has been developed to a perfect condition in St. Louis.

From Baden to the Wild Hunters; from the gate of Calvary Cemetery on Florissant avenue to the lower end of Carondelet, and from the western entrance to the Eads bridge to the northwestern boundary of Forest Park are samples of the transportation values that may be had for a nickel. If any steam railroad in the United States tried to do the same thing with its present patronage it would be in a receiver's hands in a very few months—even if the passengers were given only box-car accommodations. And the quality of the service is becoming as generally good as the quantity is universally abundant.

The time has but recently passed when all St. Louis was in arms against the bus-trolley, getting the big cars and the people demanded fire, getting the trolley called for as a means of escape from the bus, and the bus called for as a means of escape from the trolley. But the time has passed when all St. Louis was in arms against the bus-trolley, getting the big cars and the people demanded fire, getting the trolley called for as a means of escape from the bus, and the bus called for as a means of escape from the trolley.



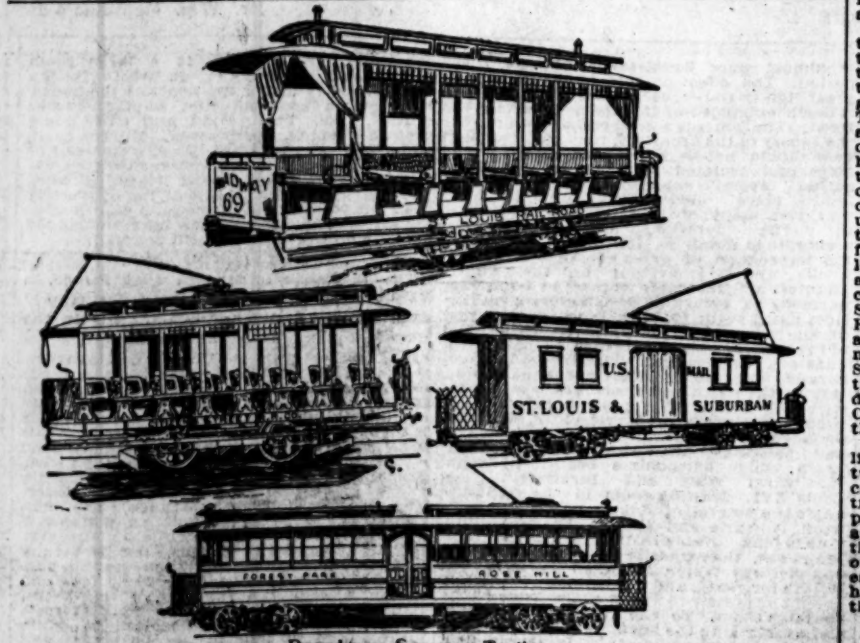
Union Depot, North Broadway and Lindell Trolley Cars.

so great a novelty as to be almost agreeable. It would be difficult to point out the particular excellencies of any one line, where the average is so high as it is now in St. Louis, and it would not do to say that all the lines are equal in respect to quality of equipment. All make good time, and all give attention to the regularity of operation and the needs of the respective patrons, but in the nature of the service the Union Depot line is perhaps the best. The Lindell is the largest system in respect to the mileage, and its cars are perhaps the most comfortable, but the Union Depot line, the Northern Central, the Union



Street-Map of St. Louis, Showing How This City Is Covered by Rapid Transit Lines.

not for years the rich corporations would not, and the poor ones could not, supply the people with what they wanted, and, but for the accident of seeing that rapid transit railroad made patronage for itself, the corporations might have kept on indefinitely carrying as many people as possible on sixteen-foot horse-cars on three-minute spaces, and letting the rest take exercise. But the experiment of the St. Louis Cable & Western Co. gave ample proof that a rapid transit street railroad traversing a desirable residence territory could command its own patronage out of the numbers of those who were frantic to get out of the congested districts to sleep, with some assurance of being able to get back by the middle of the following day; and this discovery was followed by the long and tedious investigation of methods. The cable was not a demonstrated success when the motor for improvement began, and no other means was then in sight. Neither the storage battery nor the trolley system were much more than empty names with the majority of the riding public, nor with the majority of the owners. The experimental stage was, it seemed to the people, necessarily passed, and the satisfaction of seeing a satisfactory beginning of two straight cable roads, one of which proved a success almost from the hour of its operation, and the other developed a substantial service for thousands of the working classes, and gave them homes beyond the limits of horse-car journeys. And the fact that one of the first cable cars made a pot of money for its owners, and others through real estate operations along its line opened the eyes of the public from the spring of 1904 to the present time there has been a rapid extension of boundaries and a marvelous betterment of service.



Broadway Summer Trailer. Franklin Avenue Summer Motor Car. Suburban Mail Motor Car. Lindell Thirty-Six-Footer.

are hung low, which is another point in their favor with a great many people. How well the St. Louis street railways are patronized may be estimated from the following statements of their patronage for the year 1919, and for the first quarter of 1920, taken separately:

STREET RAILWAY TRIP FOR 1920.	TRIP	PASSENGER
Baden & St. Louis	21,350	426,554
Lindell	1,200,000	1,200,000
Cass & Fair Grounds	1,200,000	1,200,000
Forest Park	1,200,000	1,200,000
Fourth & A	1,200,000	1,200,000
Jefferson	1,200,000	1,200,000
Missouri	1,200,000	1,200,000
Northern Central	1,200,000	1,200,000
People's	1,200,000	1,200,000
St. Louis & Suburban	1,200,000	1,200,000
Union	1,200,000	1,200,000
Total	1,200,000	1,200,000

ENGLAND'S CAT SHOW.

Five Hundred Well-Bred Tabbies Meet Under One Roof.

Special Correspondence SUNDAY POST-BIRMINGHAM.

LONDON, April 11.—There is an earnest movement in England to promote the breeding of cats.

The progress of the movement has just been illustrated by a "cat show" held at the Westminster Aquarium. There are things to be said for and against the idea of breeding cats. The cat is the most domestic of all animals that exist or have existed. The selection and treatment necessary to produce and maintain distinct varieties will probably breed much of the domesticity out of him, which would be a calamity to a large part of the human race.

On the other hand the breeders say you

might as well have a handsome, symmetrical cat as one that looks as if he had been the sport of inbred house painters, and they find it is possible to have your cat well bred and domesticated, too; that is to say, well bred in a moral as well as a physical sense.

The late "Cat Show" proved, if that were needed, what a very handsome beast the cat is. These days, indeed, in a few days by the addition of 60 to 100 to the mileage of the Laclede avenue route over the route of the Olive street cable, and of 10 mile over the Fourth street cable line. Franchises are also in existence for many more miles of new lines and extensions, the precise figures not being accessible on account of the immature condition of the authorizing ordinances and the plans.

The Baden line will be the second in the United States to have electrically welded joints. The mechanical engineers, the ones having heretofore been accepted that the joints were essential to the preservation of the road through the vicissitudes of expansion and contraction.

One of the greatest needs of the people in the present day is for cross-town lines, and this need is now being rapidly ministered to. The projected line of this character is the Grand avenue electric, which will give communication between the Water tower and the Grand avenue bridge. Actual work will be begun on this line about the 1st of May, the plans having all been finished by Engineer W. H. Throp Bartlett. The cars are now under construction. They will be the finest in the city, having some improvements not placed upon any cars heretofore built, either for trolley or cable. The cars will be hung so low that but one step will be required to give access to them. In finish and in the quality of the material they will be the equals of any in the United States. The President of the Grand Avenue Railway Co. is Charles G. Stifel, Secretary and Treasurer, Ed Conrades, and the remainder of the board of the line are North St. Louis capitalists. It is expected to have the line in operation by midsummer, a great deal of the route lying over the tracks of the Union Depot and Fair Grounds Railway and the Lindell Railway companies.

All the large cars now in use on St. Louis lines have fifty-horse-power motors; these are of a length of thirty-six feet, the extreme axle, cost \$5,000 a piece and weigh 20,000 pounds. The medium-sized cars cost \$7,000 and weigh about 12,000 pounds. It is believed that the limit of length has been reached, owing to the difficulty of handling the longest motors on grades and curves, and that hereafter the twenty-eight-foot car will be the favorite.

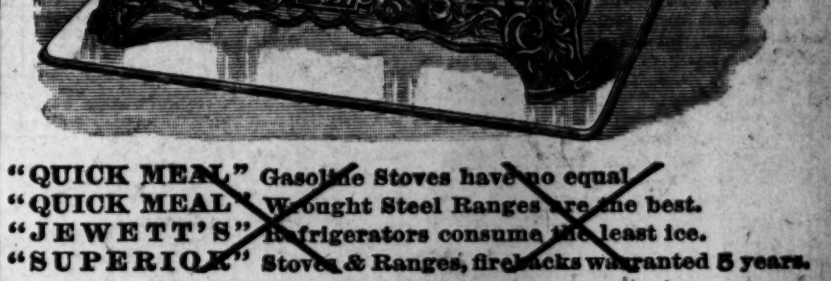
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Railway switch—Geo. W. Hanner, Holbrook,
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John Shard, a saloonkeeper at 608 South Seventh street, got into a fight with Fred Stansbury, a former employe, yesterday afternoon, and Shard struck Stansbury on the head with a loaded cane, inflicting a severe wound. Stansbury was taken suddenly ill here last night with heart failure. She was better this morning, and was able to travel. She left for Danville, Ill.

Eugene Field will read selections from his works at the First Congregational Church, Grand and Delmar avenues, Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The entertainment will be under the auspices of the "First Club."

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